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Presenting a "Certificate of Completion" for the recent Bike Safety Program at McDonalds in Agawam, to Shawn Ferguson of Agawam, is Maureen Hickey, McDonalds Representative. Also in photo are Shawn's Dad, Leroy, and Safety Officer Sgt. Stanely Chmielewski.
photo by Jack Devine

College Level Courses To Be Offered To High School Seniors

In cooperation with American International College, the Agawam High School Guidance Department has embarked upon a unique academic program for next years seniors.

Dr. Ernest Cannava, Superintendent of Schools, and Dr. Joseph Cebula, Dean of the School of Education at American International College conceived the idea of a "bridging program" which will allow a senior to take a maximum of six credit hours of college course work each semester at American International College. Upon completion, these courses will be credited on the seniors' high school transcript and be transferable to the college he plans to attend in September, 1979. If the student decides to attend

American International College he will receive credit from American International College toward his degree.

The two basic objectives of the "bridging program" are (1) to expose the student to college level course work before he graduates from high school. (2) to obtain a headstart in his college career by accumulating as many as twelve semester hours credit toward a degree (the number of semester hours accumulated depends on the motivation and financial status of the student.)

A fiftypercent reduction in tuition costs is being offered by American International College for each course taken. In addition, the student will have all of the privileges of a regular full

time student at the college.

A series of informative meetings was organized with students and American International College officials by Paul C. Cavallo, guidance counselor at the high school, concerning the student and colleges' responsibilities in the "Bridging Program". A field trip to the American International College campus took place in early April. Thirty students spent the day observing classes and listening to college officials describe the attributes of the program.

Board of Appeals Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Board of Appeals will be held in the Hearing Room of the Town Hall on Wednesday, May 31, 1978, at 2:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To consider and act upon the application for a variance with respect to the property at 311 Southwick Street.
2. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Reorganization Defeated

In an election that only drew 2310 votes, or approximately 18 percent of the eligible voters in Agawam, the town government's reorganization plan went down to defeat 1350 to 960. The plan, which has been in effect for three years, and which was drawn up by former Town Manager James Westman has been a controversial issue since its stormy inception. The most vocal opponents of the plan pointed to what they termed its "high price tag" as something which Agawam neither wanted nor could afford.

Those favoring the plan, chief among them being the present Town Manager Peter Caputo, hailed the plan, which combined thirty departments under the directorship of four people, as a money saving one, citing that one director alone had saved the town some \$20,000 to date.

Immediately after the special election, Caputo set in motion a restructuring of the town government back to the previous thirty department heads, while eliminating the directorships. David Gallano, director of finance, and John Stone, director of public works were never being paid out of the director's account so monies for their salaries are already in the budget. Edward Caba, director of human resources and ser-

vices, and John Sliech, director of public safety were being paid out of an account earmarked for the directors and in that respect, their futures are in doubt. Caba will return to being Town Clerk, but at the present time, there is no money in that account to pay his salary as such. John Sliech, it appears, has no job to return to on the police force, and presently is out of a job. Caputo praised the job Sliech had done as director and noted that he had saved the taxpayers in excess of \$20,000 during the past three years. Caputo added that he was "considering options for Sliech's future."

In line with this restructuring, Caputo said that he is now in the process of reassessing and evaluating each department on the basis of delivery of services, competency, and effectiveness of the department head. In a memo to all department heads, Caputo stated: "The manager's office will expect each department head to exercise executive control and fiscal responsibility over his respective department." Caputo commented that all minor matters must be dealt with by the department head and he will seriously question the effectiveness of any department head who cannot or will not do so.

Along with dissolving the directorships, Caputo has

also disbanded the Personnel Committee. He will now handle all personnel matters of a serious nature and will assume "first level negotiating duties with each respective union." He noted that for the present, the town attorney and the town manager will be the negotiating team for management. Caputo has also issued a memo stating that all purchase orders must now be signed by the town manager, or no payment will be made.

Caputo stressed the importance of the department head in this form of government and said that he expects everyone to perform to their utmost capabilities.

Although Caputo said that he was sorry to see the directors go since he felt the system was a "competent, money saving thing," he commented it was that he was even more disappointed in the voter turnout. He said it was his feeling that a voter turnout of one sixth of the voters was a poor showing for such an important issue.

ELECTION RESULTS

Precinct 1 - Yes 152, No 325
Precinct 2 - Yes 173, No 272
Precinct 3 - Yes 395, No 202
Precinct 4 - Yes 142, No 141
Precinct 5 - Yes 214, No 161
Precinct 6 - Yes 184, No 249
Totals: 960 yes votes
- 1350 No votes
Total votes: 2310.



Pictured from left to right: John Bold, Old Colony Bank; Town Clerk Edward Caba, David Maiolo, Milton Corey Financial Planner for the Project; Mrs. Sue Maiolo and Guy Maiolo.
photo by Jack Devine

Ground Breaking for New Riverside Roller Rink

Ground was broken last week for the new Riverside Roller Skating Rink on Main Street in Agawam. Mrs. Susan Maiolo, former manager of the old Riverside Roller Skating Rink which was demolished last

month, her daughter Gay, and son David were on hand to celebrate the occasion.

The new rink will be managed by David Maiolo, is being constructed by the Edward J. O'Leary Co. and

is slated to open sometime in October on a site not far from its former location. The new rink will operate much the same as the old one, although there will be some innovations, which are as yet undisclosed.

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Pictured at the recent Co-operative Education Luncheon at Agawam High School are from left: Arlene Mazza, Business Education Department Chairperson at Agawam High; Darcy Mercadante, Julie Ouimet, Beckie Steele and Janice Caramazza, all students who participated in the program; and Arline Buchman, Teacher Co-ordinator for Co-operative Office Education.

photo by Jack Devine

Co-operative Education Luncheon

Last week, members of the Agawam High faculty held an appreciation luncheon for the employers who have participated in two of the school's work-study

experiences.

This year, fourteen seniors participated in a co-operative office Education program whereby the students worked for area businesses throughout the school. The co-operative office education students have taken a sequential course in business

education, and have to prove themselves ready to take on the responsibilities of office procedures in an office environment. The students are available for work any time after 12 noon each day, and most of this year's students worked the entire year, at the same job. Several of the graduating seniors have accepted positions in the companies in which they have been working. Some of the local companies employing the girls throughout the school year were: Simon Container Machinery Inc., Kidder Stacey, Atlas Founders, Ben Franklin Manufacturing Co., Raffol Insurance, Suburban Real Estate, Security National, Sweet Life Foods, Attorneys Michelman and Beaumier, and the City Stamp Company, West Springfield.

The Distributive Education students, this year numbering eleven, worked in the retail or wholesale field in the same manner as the Office Ed students. Some of the local businesses employing these students included: The Big

Bun Restaurant Bradlees, Ideal Budget, Yale Genton, Hit or Miss, Serv-O-Mation, Paysaver, Ponderosa Steak House, and State Dental Laboratory. The faculty expressed their gratitude to these companies, and were very pleased with the local support the programs are getting. Anyone interested in employing one of these students may contact Arline Buchanan at the High School for the co-operative office education program, or David Skolnik, also at the high school for the distributive education program.

TM Lecture

There will be a free public lecture on Transcendental and TM Sidhi Program on Thursday, June 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Agawam Library.

NAWC Meeting

The Tekoa Country Club will host the meeting of Chapter 115 of the National Association of Women in Construction. The date-Tuesday, June 13, 1978. There will be a social time at 6:30 p.m. and dinner served at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Robert Deane from the F. W. Dodge Company of West Springfield will be the speaker. The Dodge Company issues special information reports for the Construction Industry.

Guests are welcome especially women employed in construction related positions.

Reservations should be made with Lise J. Provost, Apt. G 4 Belden Court., Agawam, Massachusetts 01001.

Gioscia Announces



Frank Gioscia of North Blandford Road, Blandford, today announced his candidacy for the State Representative seat of the Third Hampden District.

The District consists of Agawam, Blandford, Chester, Granville, Montgomery, Russell, Southwick, and Tolland.

In announcing his candidacy, Gioscia stated that he is very concerned about the tax situation in Massachusetts. "The tax burden is very heavy on all of us. It affects everyone of us, working and retired alike. I can best serve the Towns in the District because of my background in business and, also, as a Tax Examiner with the Commonwealth, as I am dealing with large figures

and am familiar with the finances of the Towns. I am particularly concerned with State-mandated programs without funding because this reflects an increase to us on our local property taxes."

Gioscia is a graduate of Springfield Technical High School and also attended Western News England College.

He is presently employed as a Tax Examiner for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Corporations and Taxation.

Gioscia has served in both the Sales and Management fields in the business community. He is a member of Elks Lodge No. 61, and also served in the United States Army Reserve from 1964-1970. He is married to the former Patricia March.

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Zucco Leads Recent Seminar

The Governors Commission on the Station of Women and Shawmut First Bank combined forces to conduct an educational seminar on four recent dates. The purpose of the seminars was to educate women on the handling of their finances. Various financial topics were covered by the guest speakers who were introduced by the Governor's Commission on the status of Women's representative, Commissioner Ruth Zucco of Agawam. Mrs. Zucco noted that the seminars were "most informative and constructive and were greatly received by over one hundred women at each meeting."

J. W. is coming!

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Mount Holyoke Graduates

Joanne Catherine Morawski of Agawam and Virginia Burr of Feeding Hills, were among some 464 seniors who graduated from Mount Holyoke College at recent commencement exercises on the South Hadley, Massachusetts campus. David B. Truman, who will retire from a nine year term as president of the distinguished 141-year-old college for women, delivered the commencement address. Preceding the afternoon ceremony, Baccalaureate speeches were given by two well-known members of the Mount Holyoke faculty: Anna J. Harrison, professor of chemistry and the first woman to serve as president of the 112,000 member American Chemical Society; and English professor, John Irving, author of the recently published novel, *The World According to Garp*; and a student speaker, senior Shauna Doyle of Rye Beach, New Hampshire.

Mount Holyoke, the oldest continuing institution of higher education for women in the country, is a member of one of the nation's most successful academic cooperative arrangements—the Five College Consortium which links Mount Holyoke's academic, social and cultural resources with those at nearby Amherst, Hampshire and Smith Colleges and the University of Massachusetts.

Ms. Morawski, an American studies major, received the Complex Organizations Scholarship and the Robert P. Sibley Prize for excellence in English. She was an intern at the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., and a participant in the Citibank and WMECO conferences on Women in Management. She was chairman of the Mount Holyoke Student Recruiters, and a member of WMHC and Christian Fellowship. Ms. Morawski is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond S. Morawski of Doane Avenue, Agawam.

A music major, Ms. Burr is a member of the Glee Club. She is also a member of "Quintessence," a barber shop quintet which she and other students formed.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burr of Wilbert Terrace.

Both Ms. Morawski and Ms. Burr graduated Cum Laude.

School Lunch Menus

AGAWAM SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Monday May 29 No School, Memorial Day
Tuesday May 30 Potted Beef cubes in gravy on whipped potatoes, buttered niblet corn, whole wheat bread and butter, chilled fruit cup, milk.
Wednesday May 31 Lemonade, steamed frankfort in roll, baked beans, oven french fries, mustard, relish, ketchup, applesauce cake with butter icing, milk.
Thursday June 1 Oven roasted chicken, buttered peas & carrots, whipped potatoes, cranberry sauce, rye bread and butter, ice cream, milk.
Friday June 2 Chilled orange juice, hamburger on roll, steamed rice, buttered diced carrots, mustard, relish, ketchup, peanut butter cookies, milk.

Monday June 5 Potted beef cubes in gravy on steamed rice, buttered kernel corn, rye bread and butter, chilled fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday June 6 Grilled cheese sandwich, pickle chips, apple sauce, tossed salad with shredded carrots and French dressing, peanut butter cookies, milk.

Wednesday June 7 Lemonade, baked hamburger & curly macaroni, with spaghetti sauce, creamy cabbage & carrot salad, Italian bread and butter, cherry jello with whip topping, milk.

Thursday June 8 Baked fish bites, buttered niblet corn, oven French fries, tartar sauce or ketchup, ice cream cup, milk.

Friday June 9 Oven roasted turkey and gravy on mashed potatoes, buttered diced carrots, cranberry sauce garnish, whole wheat bread and butter, sweet potato cake with butter icing, milk.

Agawam Senior Center

Wright Street, Agawam, Mass.

May 30 Lambettes, potato puffs, chinese cabbage, jello.

May 31 Knockwurst, sauerkraut, sweet potatoes, applesauce.

June 1 Lasagne, broccoli, sheet cake.

June 2 Baked cod, spanish rice, peas, fresh fruit.

June 5 Baked beans, wieners, coleslaw, peaches.

June 6 Chicken croquettes, rice, lettuce, cherry crisp.

June 7 Beef stew with onions and tomatoes, noodles, custard.

June 8 Ham and noodle casserole, green beans, banana.

June 9 Tuna salad, rolls, broccoli, apple pie.

Watch the news about our first anniversary party on June 25, Sunday\$\$\$

We have the forms for the VIAL OF LIFE program here at the Center. Pick them up when you come in for lunch of bloodpressure.

Next hypertension clinic will be Tuesday, June 6 at 1 p.m. Next foot clinic on Thursday, June, 8th. Make your reservation in time\$

Our May 31 trip to Hartford - Mark Twain Museum, will leave from the Center at 8:45. Please be her on time.

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...Hold Carnival

Community Junior Grange will hold a Carnival at the Grange Home, 47 North West Street, Feeding Hills, from 12 noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 17. All Junior Grange members are constructing games of skill to challenge young and old who may attend. These will be set up with the help of parents and manned by them jointly throughout the afternoon. The very popular pony rides of last year will again be available.

The usual Carnival refreshments will be sold by Mrs. Naida King. Mr. C. Wesley Theayer will provide appropriate music and Mrs. Thayer will sell "white elephants". Mrs. Maria Giroux will supervise a food sale which will feature finger foods which patrons may want to eat on the grounds, or take them home. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Parrott are co-chairmen assisted by Mr. John Hanson and Miss Pauline Sosnowich. Mrs. David Peterson is taking care of posters and Miss Florence Blish, publicity. In case of rain, all activities will take place inside the grange hall.

Interstate Band Festival at Ridgewood, N.J.

The local musical-marching unit was pleased to hear their name announced twice as the massed bands stood covering an entire football field at the conclusion of the week-end contests, and prizes were awarded to the winners in the various categories.

Taking a second place trophy in the fieldcontest, the Agawam Band was outscored only by the Canandaigua Academy who are the present Class A New York State Field Band-Conference Champions. The New York State unit has been Grand Champions of the New York State Pageant

for the past two years and also of the Gorham Pageant of Bands for three years.

In third place in the field contest was the Alexis DuPont High School Band of Greenville, Delaware, the largest band in that state and one of the best. Other champion bands in the contest were representing the states of Maryland, Connecticut, New York and Pennsylvania.

The Agawam Bands second award came with a third place in Festival Parade with first place again going to the Canandaigua Band and second going to Brandywine High

School of Wilmington, Delaware.

One hundred and eight band members and 12 parents from Agawam spent a full week-end of activities at Ridgewood, including a social for band members on Friday evening, a stop at the Garden State Plaza Shopping Mall on Saturday evening and a visit to Radio City Music Hall on Sunday afternoon. The Ridgewood Band Festival has become widely known in recent years and is drawing a large number of champion competitive bands from states on the Eastern Seaboard.



Agawam participants in the Special Olympics are, from left Laura-Jean, Jodi Parrow, Rachel Emery and Bruce Baron.
photo by Jack Devine

Students Participate in Special Olympics

For the third year in a row, Agawam has entered children from Phelps School into the Massachusetts District Special Olympics Track and Field Meet.

On Saturday, May 13th, at Legion Field in Palmer, Laura-Jean DiFlumera, Bruce Baron, Jodi Parrow, and Rachael Emery participated in many track and field events.

They received ribbons for their accomplishments.

Laura-Jean finished first in the softball throw and second in the standing broad jump. Bruce Baron finished first in the 50-yard dash and third in the softball throw. Jodi received a first place ribbon in the softball throw and a second place ribbon in the 50-yard dash. Rachael finished third in both the softball throw and the 50-yard dash. It was a great effort for the many weeks of practice behind Phelps School.

Among the other groups participating were Holyoke, Shrewsbury, Southwick, Ludlow, Chicopee, Sunshine Village, and Monson. There were over 280 Olympians participating this year.

The coaches Liz Zerra and Ted Tudryn were very pleased to hear the four Olympians from Phelps School in Agawam qualified for the State Meet. The State Meet will be on Saturday, June 17th, at Taunton High School, Taunton, Ma.

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Left to right Paulo Calganotto, Elsie Brinate, David Theodorowicz (Principal of Agawam High School), Miyako Kodama, Janet May and Terry Sullivan photo by Jack Devine

AFS Spring Community Reception

The annual AFS Spring Community Reception was held on Monday, May 22 at the Agawam Junior High School.

Future host families, friends of AFS, board members, school committee representatives and the principal of the Agawam high school, Mr. Theodorowicz, were on hand to extend best wishes and sincere appreciation to both

the foreign students Paulo Calganatto from Brazil and Miyako Kodomo from Japan along with their host families.

At this time all members of the executive committee and the board of directors would like to thank all of those American Field Service program. A successful AFS program which includes host families, students from the high

school who go abroad, students who sponsor the school chapter, adults to work on each and every project, can only be as well received as the work they do calls for. Mrs. Janet Clark, president of the Agawam AFS Chapter, feels that our success has depended on our community and our sincere appreciation is extended to every resident.

Council for Children

The Council for Children supports a ban on motorcycles in Robinson State Park. The damage being done by the motorcycles is irreparable and unless an ordinance is passed by the Town Council banning them from the park, there will be no park land left.

Have you taken a walk, or ride, through the park lately? The terrains are being dug up by motorcycles. Trails are being created by the cyclists. Hill climbs for the ravaging motorcyclists are being made in the park despoiling the natural beauty of the park. The noise at night disturbs the abutting neighbors to the park. The trash problem has tripled with the natural beauty being diminished.

If you support an ordinance for the ban of motorcycles in the park contact your Town Council, Town Manager, and let your wishes be known.

3rd Annual Town Picnic & Parade

The Third Annual Picnic and Parade will take place on July 1 and 2 Saturday and Sunday of this year.

The fireworks will be held at the High School on Cooper St., at 8:30 p.m. Saturday July 1.

The parade will be stepping off from the Feeding Hills Library at 1 p.m. up Springfield St. to the Polish American Club where the Picnic will take place on Sunday July 2 at 12 noon.

The townspeople are invited to 2 days of real enjoyment. Last years picnic-parade brought out about 6000 or more Agawam and

Feeding Hills residents.

There will be a variety of food and many booths and fun and games.

General Chairman Jack Kunasik lists the following as his committee. Picnic Chairman Stanley Chmielewski, William Kushin, Ted Tworg, Parade Committee, David Clouse, Charlotte Venturini and clowns by Liz Meissner. The Candy Lady Ruth Zucco will also handle publicity.

Anyone wishing to serve on this Committee may do so by calling Jack Kunasik at Parks and Playgrounds Agawam Town Hall.

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SPAN Center News

The SPAN Center will host a Foster Parent Orientation and Recruitment Meeting on June 7 at 7:30 p.m. at SPAN Center, 770 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills for those interested in learning more about being a foster parent for teens between 12 and 16. There is a need for short term shelter homes and long term parents for individual young people. Teenagers need homes because their own families are in crisis; consequently

the young people engage in acting out, running away or abusive behavior. Mary Ann Andrews, the Homefinder for the Center for Human Development will show slides and answer questions on what is involved in foster parenting.

The SPAN Center is pleased to announce that they have received a grant of \$3,050 from Shurtleff

Children's Services. The grant award will be used to provide therapeutic groups for young children and adolescents during the coming year.

The Shurtleff Foundation, which is based in Westfield, has as its goal the support of children's service and, over the years, has been responsible for many fine programs in this area. The SPAN Center will announce the details of its plans in the next few weeks.

15th

Anniversary

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The Annual Strawberry Supper of the Ladies Benevolent Society of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church will be served at the church on North Westfield Street on Saturday, June 10, with continuous servings from 5 - 7 p.m. The menu includes potato and egg salad, boiled ham, rolls and pickles, strawberry shortcake and beverage. Tickets for adults are \$3.50 and for children (6 - 12) \$1.25. Reservations may

be made with Mrs. Homer Allen, 786-2069, or Mrs. Orville Burt, 786-2369. Mrs. Richard Taylor and Mrs. Perry McCobb are co-chairmen of the kitchen with Miss Linda Taylor as hostess in the dining room.

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Agawam Residents Graduate from Springfield College

Springfield College awarded 862 degrees - including six to Agawam area residents at the 92nd Commencement Exercises Sunday (May 28) at the Springfield Civic Center.

George Plimpton, editor of the 'Paris Review' since 1953, was the featured speaker.

Walter Byers, Executive Director of the NCAA; Dean W. Jeffers, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Nationwide Insurance Companies; Timothy J. Nugent, Director of the Rehabilitation Center at the University of Illinois; Dr. Francis W. Scanlon, former SC Chaplain; and Arthur M. Wood, past Chairman of Sears, Roebuck and Company, each received honorary Doctor of

Humanities degrees at the Commencement.

Georgina I. Geck, 106 Regency Park, Agawam, received the Certificate of Advance Study (sixth-level degree) at the SC Commencement Exercises.

Jon C. Ferris, 173 Mallard Circle, and Peter A. Hitas, 24 Dwight Street, both of Agawam; and Barry M. Cleary, 515 Mall Street, Feeding Hills, were awarded the Master of Education degree at the Sunday ceremonies at the Civic Center.

James H. Doherty, Dwight Street, Agawam; and Joanne G. Draghetti (Summa Cum Laude), 45 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, were awarded the Bachelor's degree at the SC Commencement.



Mrs. Jeffrey Scannell

O'Brien-Scannell Nuptials

Miss Karen M. O'Brien and A. Jeffery Scannell exchanged marriage vows on May 5 in a 6 o'clock candlelight ceremony at St. John the Evangelist Church in Agawam, with Father Joyce officiating.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul O'Brien of Agawam was attended by her sister Mrs. Cathy Crumrine as matron of

honor with Mrs. Kathryn O'Brien and Mrs. Lori O'Brien as bridesmaids.

Mr. Scannell son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Scannell of West Springfield was served by Phillip Lane as best man. Performing duties as ushers were Robert Taft and Robert St. Martin.

A reception was held at Storowtown Tavern barn. The couple left for a wedding trip to California.

Carol Nieroda Degree Receives

Carol A. Nieroda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nieroda, 114 Leonard St., Agawam, received her M.D. degree from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, Rochester, New York on May 21.

Dr. Nieroda, a National Honor Society graduate of Agawam High School, also graduated from Northeastern University of Boston with highest honors.



She will be living in Nashville, Tenn. and begin her residency in surgery at Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville, Tenn.

Grange Meeting

Community Grange will meet Tuesday evening, June 6th at 8 o'clock in the Grange Home on No. West Street.

During the business meeting the annual Memorial Service will be conducted by the Chaplain, Mrs. Charlotte Watrous. Four members of the Grange who died during the past year will be remembered with appropriate ceremonies.

A tree and leaf identification program under the direction of Mrs. Maria Giroux, is planned for the lecturer's hour.

A social hour will follow the program when refreshments will be served.

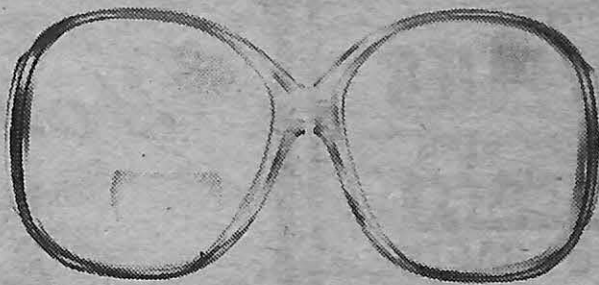
Suzanne E. Morris Receives Degree

Suzanne E. Morris, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Donald B. Morris of 103 Oak Lane, Feeding Hills, received the Bachelor of Science degree in Community Leadership and Development-Psychology at the 92nd Commencement Exercises at Springfield College on Sunday (May 28).

A 1974 graduate of Weston High School, Miss Morris was one of 533 undergraduate and 329 graduate students who received degrees at the Commencement Exercises.

Addressing the graduates was sports author, George Plimpton.

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From Agawam are: Philip H. Scott of 13 Beekman Pl., the son of Mrs. and Mrs. Howard Scott; Carol R. Dana of 67 Riviera Dr., who is the executive secretary at Casual Corner; Donald

Joseph Charest of 95 Reed St., who is the director of business services for the Granby Public Schools;

Wayne T. Osentoski of 51 Western Ave., who is a small arms repairer for the U.S. Government; Rosalie D. Walsh of 107 Maple St., who studied English at the college; Paul Michael Scales of 80 Reed St., the son of Mrs. Gerturde M. Scales; and Jon Alan Reske of 188 Rowley St., the son of Mrs. Jennie Reske.

Also from Agawam are: Donald F. Meunier of 39 Day St.; Donna M. Gunn of 96 Regency Park Dr., who studied in the field of accounting; Michael S. Haynes of 580 Main St., who studied in the field of biology; Patricia Ann Drewniak of 32 Edward St., who studied in the field of medical technology; Mark Edward DeForge of 137 Florida Dr., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip DeForge; Suzanne F. Cebula of 321 Regency Park Dr., the daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Edward T. Cebula; John J. Bonavita of 659 Cooper St., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Bonavita; and Lynn Ann Arnold of 51 Wilson St., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Arnold.

From Feeding Hills is: Mrs. Beth S. Lapp-Patterson of 48 Amherst Ave., who majored in liberal arts in business and minored in economics.

Education Center

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Dena's list standing indicates a grade point

average of 3.25 or above, and Maroon Key membership is achieved by attaining dean's list standing for two semesters. The Honor Society meets informally with the faculty, Dean of the College, and invited speakers to discuss topics of its choice. Members also receive a scholarship which entitles them to carry an

additional course each semester, and they serve as official hostesses, ushers, and guides at College functions.

A member of the Class of 1979, Miss Forsman is enrolled in the Travel Administration Program leading to an Associate in Science degree.

Library Association to Meet

The Agawam Center Library Association will meet on Tuesday, May 30 at 8:00 p.m. at the A.P.L. 2 Library, 862 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

The topic of discussion will be the planned closing of the Agawam Center library. All members are requested to attend.

Who's Who

Seventeen students at Holyoke Community College have EEN CHOSEN FOR MEMBERSHIP IN Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges, according to Dr. Winston H. Lavalley, Assistant Dean of the College at HCC.

Given in recognition of outstanding merit and accomplishment, the honor is extended yearly to students

who have demonstrated high scholastic and leadership capabilities. Students are nominated by a college committee and approved by the honorary organization's national office in Alabama.

Those chosen this year from Agawam are:

Mark E. MacGilvary, 24 Dwight St.; and Leila M. Soffen, 66 Cooper Street.

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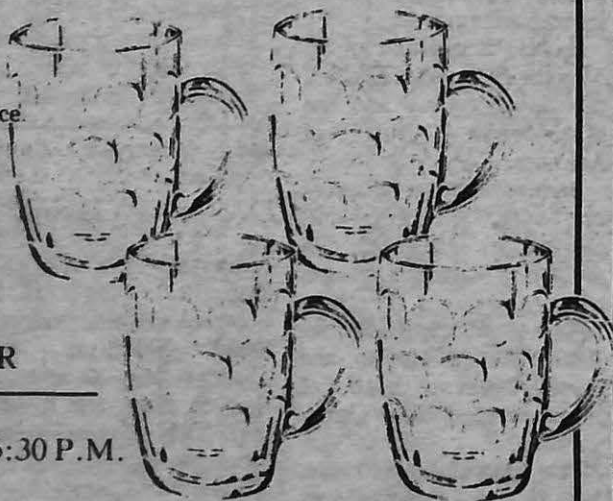
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Editorials

Although we have not seen the petition, we understand that there is a petition circulating about town which calls for a rescinding of the school bond issue. We have heard criticism of the petition based on the logic that these people were invited to public hearings prior to the voting and adoption by the School Board and Town Council. We do not care to comment for or against this criticism because it accomplishes nothing.

The fact remains that the petition is alive and apparently thriving. We have heard rumors and allegations as to timetables and what is required by law for accreditation. We have also heard counterrumors and allegations. Whatever the truth of the matter, someone should make an attempt to set forth the facts.

If we do not act within a certain timeframe, will funding be lost? If the repairs and additions aren't made, will accreditation be lost? What will happen if the petitioners are successful? In short, we believe that there are several areas which should be cleared up to avoid misunderstanding. It's all very nice to say that these people should have shown up long ago, but apparently that answer will be insufficient. We aren't convinced that any answer will be sufficient for some people but we do think an attempt should be made now to set forth as much as possible to head off possible future trouble.

We don't necessarily subscribe to the theory that people have to be spoonfed, but we do feel that this issue had best receive a little more publicity before the next referendum takes place.

From the Editor's Desk

by Pat Guevin

Several people have taken the time to call me with lots of comments about this newspaper, both good and bad. For the most part, your words of praise and encouragement are heartwarming, and I thank you for your response.

One problem which we do have, and which we are in the process of correcting, is that of delivery in certain areas of the town. We are making an all-out effort to see that every family in Agawam receives a copy of our newspaper weekly. We are currently establishing some new routes and looking at the possibility of restructuring some old ones. We are checking routes to insure that our delivery people are doing the jobs they are getting paid for. I ask your help in this matter in two ways: first, if you don't receive delivery please call us and report it promptly. You should receive your copy of the Advertiser-News by Tuesday evening at the latest. If you do not please let us know. You must help us to better serve you. Secondly, please cooperate by making sure any dogs are either in the house or restrained in some way when the delivery people are doing their routes. Many of the kids are afraid of even the tamest animals, and we cannot insure delivery to any residence where dogs are running loose.

Our circulation has reached 9,000, and understandably, with the increased number we have had some problems. We are attempting to service the town in the manner which it deserves. This is your newspaper—any help you can give us will be gratefully appreciated.



Alfred Serra



Precinct 4

Many of you know him as the owner of Feeding Hills Hardware, which is where Alfred Serra spends a good deal of his time when not performing his duties on the Town Council representing precinct 4.

Serra enjoys his Council work and says that he gets a lot of feedback from the residents of his precinct as well as people living near his store in Feeding Hills. Serra feels that too many politicians lose touch with the people which is why twice a month he drives through his precinct and stops to chat with any folks he happens to see out of doors.

On the recent reorganization vote, Serra said that he was surprised that the voter turnout was as large as it was, even though he was disappointed with the results. Serra commented that even though he would have liked reorganization to remain, he has every confidence that Town Manager Caputo will come up with a strong, workable system.

Serra commented that instead of the present fifteen member council he would like to see a nine member council all voted on an at-large basis. Countering the charge that some councilors have made that an at-large campaign would be to expensive, he said that a lot of hard work and person to

person contact would keep the expense to a minimum.

Serra also favors the appointment of the town manager over an elected major citing the fact that many elections become popularity contests where the qualifications and experience of the candidates are not serious considerations.

Serra stated that the one issue with which he particularly concerned with at the moment is the petition being circulated in opposition of the high school bonding. Terming it "a very dangerous thing that these people are doing," Serra said he was afraid that the people are "misinformed" as to the very real need for the high school renovation and addition. Noting that he has been to "every meeting held in town on the subject," Serra stated that "the state is dictating to us...do it or lose accreditation." It is Serra's feeling that loss of accreditation will make property values plummet as the housing market is flooded with homes put up for sale because people will not jeopardize their children's future by sending them to a high school which is not accredited.

Serra, his wife, and son Tony, who helps his dad out at the store, live on Valentine Terrace.



It's Amusing

by Bob Guevin

From San Jose to Agawam, from Cleveland to Washington, D.C., there is a wave sweeping across America. Starting as a ripple, it has been gathering force and size for two and a half decades. As future shock and 1984 close in, we have witnessed a few skirmishes and outbreaks of discontent...acts of violence, a virtual state of siege and then...the lull.

Again, slowly at first, the seeds of discontent and disillusionment grew. Distrust, discouragement and, finally, hopelessness set in. Americans have begun to share the feelings of utter hopelessness which made the 1917 Bolshevik uprising a reality. This time, however, the people are not picking up guns and rifles. They are going after the "enemy" with the strongest and most potent weapon in the Democratic Arsenal. There is a groundswell of voter referendums. Not only in Agawam, but across the nation, the people are asserting their discontent at the ballot.

Curiously enough, the voter turnout at elections and special referendums is still disappointing, but there is a new trend which is alarming to those elected officials both State and Federal. The voters are beginning to set limits on the growth of government at all levels. Americans view the growth and complexity of government as a cancer that must be stopped. The tax bite is being seriously challenged for the first time in American history.

The I.R.S. will not publish the number of Americans who refuse to pay anything for obvious reasons. No one can calculate how much "cheating" actually goes on, but Americans have reached a point where they don't care...because it's not enough. The tax bite is excessive and socialistic. They are revolting.

Proposition 13 will appear on the California ballot later this year. Simply stated, it says that the government real estate tax cannot exceed 1 per cent of the fair market value of their property in a single year. Further, the fair market value may not be adjusted higher than 2 per cent each year. If this referendum is passed by the people, as expected, it would reduce the property tax 50 per cent the first year. In Boston, according to unofficial projections, there would be a 78 per cent tax reduction.

Recently, in a major mid-western city, the school system was completely shut down because the voters refused to ratify an emergency school bond issue to fund the system. The unfortunate citizens in the rest of the state found themselves in a position of paying not only for their own school system but also for the city school system as well.

In Agawam there is a petition circulating designed to reject the recently approved school bond. It is not an isolated case. It is a part of the nationwide effort to limit the growth of government by putting ceilings on the amount of money which can be spent. The American people are telling Big Brother that the barrel has a bottom, that the pinch hurts and they are going to stop it. Twenty-five other states have already discussed a form of Proposition 13 and countless citizen groups have mailed in requests for copies of the legislation for their group or club.

The fear of those in power verges on paranoia at the prospect of voter legislation putting a ceiling on spending. Dire predictions of state and federal bankruptcies, panic and chaos are bandied about. The forecasts fall on deaf ears. A nation which has lived through Vietnam, the Black Panthers, assassination, segregation, Hugh Hefner, OSHA: H.E.W., ERA and television has become callous to predictions of catastrophes. The people don't care. They know what they've had when they had faith in their government and their elected officials...now they are willing to take their chances by hand cuffing these leaders. They seem to be willing to tell our government to defend our national borders but, after that, leave us alone.

The trend to professional Town Managers must be seen as an attempt to control governmental spending. People want their government to run as a business. Those people who fail to see this will be the first casualties. The next revolt in America will be by the ballot. The tax payer will refuse to pay for those who will not produce. He will refuse to be taxed to death. He will become involved but not necessarily, informed.

Obituaries

WALTER M CAMPBELL

Walter M. Campbell, 85, of Whitefield, N.H., native of St. Stephen, N.B., former longtime resident of Agawam and resident of Whitefield 23 years, died Thursday, May 25 in Weeks Hospital, Lancaster, N.H. He was a Navy veteran of World War I and a foreman in the small arms department of the Springfield Armory many years. He was a member of Whitefield American Legion Post, and Mount Orthodox Lodge of Masons. He leaves his wife, the former Rena Manning. The funeral was Sunday afternoon, May 28 at Healey Funeral Home with burial in Pine Hill Cemetery, Whitefield, in care of Dorothy Boswell, Whitefield, N.H. 03598.

EDWIN JOHNSON

The funeral for Edwin O. Johnson, 62, of 38 North West St., who was found dead in his garage Sunday night May 21 at 8 by his wife, Ruth (White) Johnson, will be Wednesday at the Curran-Jones Funeral Home.

Johnson was a retired engineer for the Western Massachusetts Electric Co., where he worked for 36 years.

Born in Boston, he lived in Agawam 35 years and was a member of the Agawam Methodist Church, Trestle Board Club of Agawam, the Balance Rock Lodge of Masons, Stamford, Vt., the National Association of Power Engineers, American Association of Retired Persons and the Smithsonian Associates.

He also was a member of Connecticut Valley Mineral Club, Mineral Club of

Springfield and the Pioneer Valley Shell Club.

Besides his wife, he leaves a son, Ralph A. of Springfield; two daughters, Nancy B. Massa of East Longmeadow and Cynthia J. of Durham, N.H.; two brothers, Frank of Leominster and Walter of Turners Falls; sister, Irene Derry of Fitchburg.

Burial will be in Hillcrest Park Cemetery, Springfield. Donations may be made to the Agawam Methodist Church.

FIORE LIQUORI

Fiore Liquori, 69, of 20 Brien St., retired builder and land developer in Agawam, died Tuesday, May 23, in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

Born in Springfield, he lived in Agawam 64 years and started his career as an excavating contractor in 1926.

He worked for the Army Corps of Engineers on the dikes to contain the Agawam River in order to preserve

the Agawam meadowlands for future farming.

During the 1930s and the 1940s, he developed a trucking and excavating business.

Following World War II, he and his sons, John, Thomas and Anthony P., all of Agawam, developed many housing units throughout Agawam.

He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Church, the Mawaga Club and the Marchiagan Club of Agawam.

Besides his sons, he leaves his wife, Florence R. (Bonavito) Liquori; a daughter, Mamie N. Nostin of Agawam; a brother, Alphonse of Springfield; two sisters, Mamie Moccio and Rose Deleva, both of Agawam; and eight grandchildren.

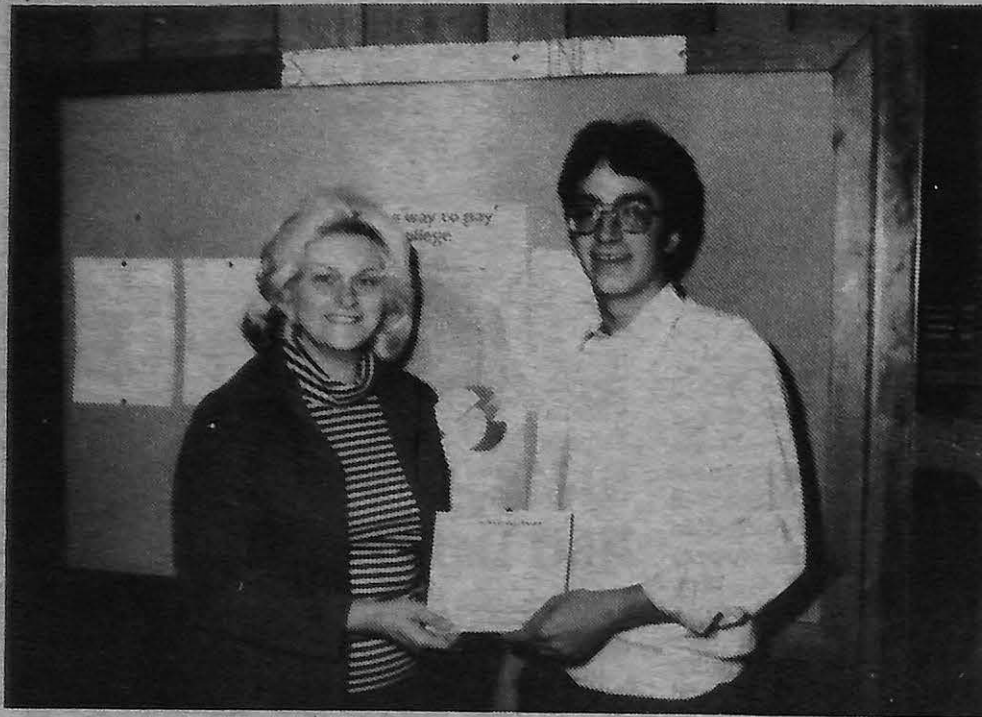
The funeral was Friday, May 26 at the Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in St. John the Evangelist Church with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield. Donations may be made to

the American Cancer Society.

ANNA NAPOLITAN

Anna (D'Amato) Napolitan, 79, of 789 Shoemaker Lane, widow of Sabot Napolitan, died Tuesday, May 23 at home. Born in Italy, she lived in Springfield 38 years before moving to Agawam 40 years ago and was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church. She leaves five sons, Francis J., a member of the Agawam School Committee, of Agawam, Richard A. and

Raymond B., both of West Springfield, and Robert A., a member of the Ludlow School Committee, of Ludlow and William E., at home; a daughter, Cecelia Lewonchuk of West Springfield; two sisters, Katherine LaRagione and Francis D'Amato, both of West Springfield; seven grandchildren; and a great-grandchild. The funeral was held Friday May 27 at the George B. Tazzini and Son Funeral Home, Springfield, and in the church with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.



Thomas Drewes receives scholarship award from Mrs. Mary Charest of the Circle des Dames Francaises Scholarship. photo by Jack Devine

Drewes Receives Scholarship

Thomas Drewes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Drewes of Federal Street Ext., was the recipient of a scholarship presented by the local chapter of Cercle des Dames Francaises. The presentation took place recently at

the Longmeadow Country Club and is made to a student of French heritage who has shown excellence in French language classes. Thomas will enter the freshman class at Wesleyan university, Middletown,

Connecticut in September and plans to major in graphic design and minor in French. He is a member of the National Honor Society, French Club and Yearbook Staff.

Agawam Teacher Receives Foreign Exchange Scholarship

Miss Jane Sakowski, a kindergarten teacher at James Clark Elementary School - Agawam Public Schools - has been granted a foreign exchange scholarship. Miss Sakowski has been a kindergarten teacher in the Agawam Public School system for five years. She will participate in the Mutual Educational Exchange Program authorized by the Fulbright-Hays Act. This interchange of teachers will be effective during the 1978-1979 academic year.

Miss Sakowski will be exchanging positions with Miss Barbara Ann Leech. Miss Leech's home school is St. Cuthbert's R.C. Infant School, Balmain Road, North Kenton, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, England. Miss Sakowski's assignment will be to teach general subjects

for the duration of the British academic year - September 4, 1978 - July 20, 1979, working with students 4 to 7 years old. Miss Leech will assume kindergarten responsibilities at the James Clark School.

Teachers who participate in the exchange program hope to gain a broader understanding of the way of life and the educational system of the host country. Opportunities to talk to students and teachers, and visits to other schools to observe classroom activities are professionally valuable. Observation of other classes within the school at the beginning of the fall term can facilitate the teacher's adjustment to a different educational system.

Margaret Cleary receives Masters Degree

Miss Margaret Marie Cleary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Cleary of 15 Silver Lake Drive, Agawam, received a Master's Degree in Business Administration from The University of Connecticut at the ninety-fifth Commencement, May 21, 1978.

Margaret was awarded a Bachelor's Degree Cum Laude, from the University of Massachusetts. She is a Paralegal for the Loctite Corporation, Newington, Connecticut.

Y.M.C.A. Camp Summertime

Camp Summatime is the new name for the former Camp Millbrook, the Y.M.C.A.'s day camp in Agawam.

Located at the Family Center at the corner of Perry Lane and Mill Street, the day-camp for 6 to 12 year olds has not only a new name this year, but a new program.

You will find the traditional quality swim lessons, archery, camp crafts, hiking, four squares, etc., and you will also discover an opportunity to get a taste of gymnastics, learn to repel, (rock climbing), play tennis, and experience daily the music and comical entertainment of an exceptional staff.

There is a whole new image, headed up by co-directors Carolyn Dewey and George Steffey. Carolyn is a high school physical education teacher in Westfield, specializing in outdoor adventure during the winter. She teaches such courses as repelling, obstacle course, and wilderness camping. Carolyn is also the girls track coach

and boys cross-country coach at Westfield High School.

George is Assoc. Director of Youth and Family Services for the Metropolitan Springfield "Y" and has a strong background from Young Life Campaign in camp counseling.

These two "leaders" lead a close team of eight very outstanding college age counselors and eight high school age junior counselors. Several have special skills in one or more areas. An example is Laurie Whelan. She will be one of the counselors for the middle girls. Laurie made the all Western Mass. Gymnastic team this past year as a senior at West Springfield High School and will be passing some of that skill on to the campers. She is one of the most likeable people you would want to meet and is graduating Summa Cum Laud. Another example is Sylvia Hilbig. Sylvia has been around Y.M.C.A. day camping for about five years.

She is a Junior at Westfield State College, majoring in Art and again this year will be

ruining the crafts program at the camp. And there are others with skills and a knack with children that makes them leaders that children want to follow.

Camp Summatime begins July 3rd and has four two week periods. Each day running from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and transportation being provided for residence in Agawam, Feeding Hills, Suffield, and Enfield.

The cost is \$47.50 plus a Y.M.C.A. basic youth membership, which is \$7.50 at the Metropolitan "Y" and \$5.00 at the Suffield "Y". Mr. Staffey announced that if fees are paid up before June 1, 1978 there is a 20 per cent discount on camp fees. Children may attend one or more camp periods but a limited number of campers will be accepted for each period. Sign up is on a first come first serve basis. Simply call the Metropolitan Springfield Y.M.C.A. at 739-6951 Ext. 253 to receive your camp reservation packet.

The new name Summatime, Mr. Steffey said, is an attempt to capitalize on

the New England pronunciation of "Summa" so that it sounds like Summertime. "Summa" is Latin for the "highest" or "best". Camp Summatime offers the best time of your summer.

STOP SMOKING PROGRAM

A five day program to stop smoking will begin at the Springfield YMC'A on June 5, 1978.

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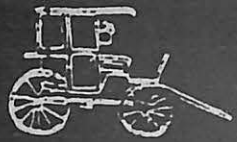
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Grange Home
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JUNE 10, 1978
Annual Strawberry Supper
5-7 P.M. Continuous Servings
Feeding Hills
Congregational Church
North Westfield Street

JUNE 17, 1978
Junior Grange Carnival
12 Noon - 4 P.M.
Grange Home
West Street, Feeding Hills

JUNE 11, 1978
Craft Fair & Tag Sale
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
YMCA Family Outdoor Center
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JUNE 2, 1978
Cindy Singers Concert
8:00 P.M.
Valley Community Church

JULY 8, 1978
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or, entering Grade 1 nor more than fourteen (14) years of age. The program is designed to fill the youth's leisure time and expose youth to activities that will develop skills, character and physical abilities. Activities that will be offered on the playgrounds include: games & SPORTS, ARTS & crafts, music, nature, djama, tournaments and special events.

The playgrounds will open Tuesday, June 27 at 9:00 a.m. and close Friday, August 18 at noon. All playgrounds will be closed Tuesday, July 4. Playgrounds will not be supervised during lunch hour. One day a week the staff will have a meeting when the playgrounds will close one hour earlier. These

days will be announced weekly. On rainy days the playgrounds will be closed and the children are expected to leave the grounds.

Playground locations are as follows: Middle School - Main Street; Phelps - School Street; Meadowbrook - Merrill Drive; Borgatti - River Road; Clark - South Street; Granger - S. Westfield Street; Wade - Franklin Street; Shea - Maynard Street; High School - Cooper Street; Danahy - Maple Street. Playground registration will be accepted at the Parks and Recreation office (Town Hall Annex) beginning June 5, 1978. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday. A \$1.00 registration fee is requested and provides each child with one

crafts article per visit to the arts & crafts van. This fee also permits the child to participate in all organized playground activities and events provided by the Parks and Recreation Dept.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Look Park, Northampton, Ma. Friday, June 30
Boston Freedom Trail Thursday, July 6
Baseball Hall of Fame Thursday, July 13
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HBO Listings

**Monday
May 29**

6:30 HOLLYWOOD SALUTES NEIL SIMON

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9:00 KING KONG

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11:30 EAT MY DUST!
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**Tuesday
May 30**

6:00 KINGDOM OF THE SPIDERS

Horror tale with William Shatner (PG-1:35)

8:00 THE STEAGLE

Chill Wills is zany as a has-been cowboy star (R-1:30)

9:30 NETWORK

Paddy Chayefsky's Oscar-winning script (R-2:00)

11:30 CASINO DE PARIS

Standing Room Only presents the world famous stage show starring Line Renaud.

**Wednesday
May 31**

6:00 FRATERNITY ROW

The values of the Fifties are pertinent to today (PG-1:41)

8:00 HOLLYWOOD SALUTES NEIL SIMON

Standing Room Only. A gala gathering of great entertainers like Ann-Margret and Henry Winkler.

9:30 A BRIDGE TOO FAR

Awesome World War II spectacular (PG-2:55)

12:30 HAROLD AND MAUDE

Ran 112 weeks at one theater in Minneapolis! (PG-1:31)

**Thursday
June 1**

5:30 THE LAST TYCOON

All-star look at the Hollywood of the 1940s with Robert De Niro, Robert Mitchum, Jeanne Moreau and Jack Nicholson (PG-2:05)

NYC Tour & United Nations Thursday, July 27
Talent Show Thursday, August 3
Red Sox vs. Cleveland Indians Thursday, August 10
Field Day Wednesday, August 16



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8:00 WORLD TEAM TENNIS

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9:30 MARATHON MAN

Bone-chilling suspense thriller starring Dustin Hoffman and Laurence Olivier (R-2:05)

11:45 ALL THE WAY BOYS

Terence Hill, Bud Spencer as airborne buddies (G-1:47)

**Friday
June 2**

5:30 KING KONG

Exciting update of this screen classic (PG-2:14)

8:00 THE LITTLE GIRL WHO LIVES DOWN THE LANE

Premiere. Jodie Foster follows a dangerous path—alone. Martin Sheen co-stars (PG-1:32)

10:00 KING KONG

Jeff Bridges and Jessica Lange in updated version of Beauty and the Beast (PG-2:14)

12:30 THE STEAGLE

Dick Benjamin and Cloris Leachman (R-1:30)

**Saturday
June 3**

2:30 SMALL CHANGE

A gem from François Truffaut (Dubbed-PG-1:44)

4:30 ALL THE WAY BOYS

Terence Hill (G-1:47)

6:30 HOLLYWOOD SALUTES NEIL SIMON

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8:00 ROSELAND

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10:00 SMALL CHANGE

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12:00 NEIL SIMON

**Sunday
June 4**

3:00 KINGDOM OF THE SPIDERS

William Shatner (PG-1:35)

5:00 RACE FOR YOUR LIFE, CHARLIE BROWN!

Peanuts gang (G-1:25)

6:30 HAROLD AND MAUDE

Bud Cort (PG-1:31)

8:00 ORCA

Premiere. Richard Harris in high seas tale (PG-1:32)

9:30 DAVID BRENNER

10:30 THE LAST TYCOON

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12:45 HAROLD AND MAUDE

Ruth Gordon (PG-1:31)

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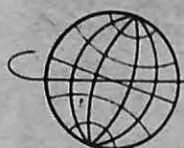


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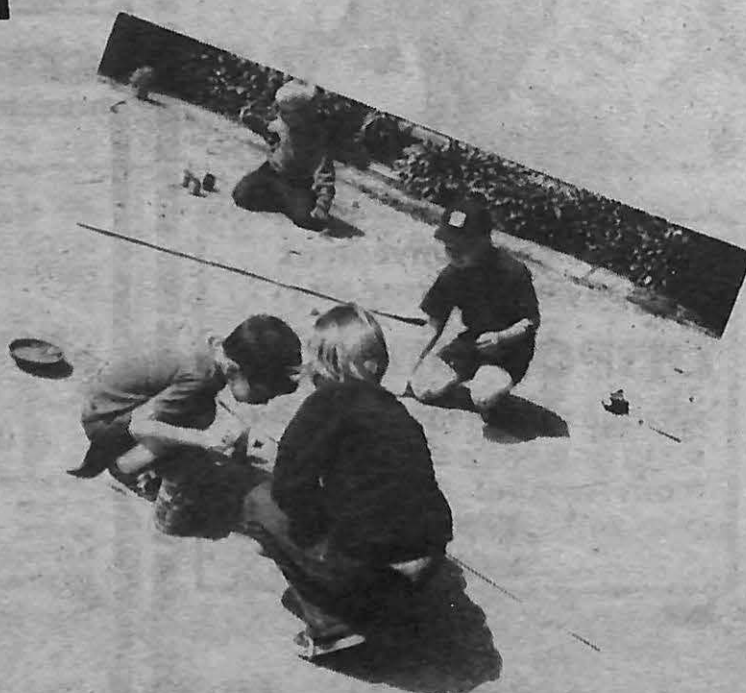
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Sports

Agawam A.A. Awards Banquet

The Agawam Athletic Association recently held its 15th Annual Champions'

Award Night, to honor its championship basketball teams and swimming team.

Friends and relatives filled the Junior High Cafeteria to capacity to pay tribute to those boys and girls who worked so hard to achieve success this past season.

Master of Ceremonies, Donald Rheault presented trophies, jackets, patches and certificates to this years basketball and swimming champs.

The winning teams were as follows: In the girls division 8-10 Elks No 2174, head coach Doug Chevalier; 10-12 E-Con-O-Sales, head

coach Bill O'Brien; and 13-15 Lounge 21, head coach again Bill O'Brien. Boys 8-10 American Division Champs Century Auto, head coach Jim Frogameni; 8-10 Abbet Tax Service, head coach Ed Connor; 10-12 American Division Champs DePalma Motors, co-coaches Brian Rheault and Scott Raymond; 10-12 McCarthy File, head coach Tony Ayre; and 13-15 Polish American Club, head coach Phil Vechiarelli.

Members of the Agawam A.A. swim team were presented trophies for different areas of competition, and boys and girls in the 6-7

basketball instructional program received certificates of completion.

As is their tradition, the Agawam A.A. also recognized some of the adults in the community who have worked long and hard to service the needs of Agawam's Youth. These "Special Service Awards" were presented to Edward Connor, Jeannett Ouellette and Rod Richardson. State Representative Edward Connelly was the recipient of a special "Thank You" award for his contribution to the young people of Agawam.



Some of the participants in the Agawam Athletic Association's 15th Annual Champions' Award Night for Boys and Girls Basketball and Swimming. Pictured: Travis Hyland, front, who received a certificate for completion of the 6-7 year old instructional basketball program; back row, left to right: Patti DeCosmo, member of the Championship "Lounge 21" team, girls 13-15 Basketball; Cheryl Depka, recipient of swimming trophy, Scott Negrucci, Michael Petrone, and Danny Giordano, all members of the Championship 10-12 Boys Basketball team sponsored by DePalma Motors. photo by Jack Devine

Touching All Bases

A record number of campers will seek the wide-open spaces this year to get the most out of the shrinking dollar. What I mean is that more and more families each year are taking to the forests and campgrounds, searching for relief from the penny-pinching hotels.

Some Americans who live in the northern part of the country, such as our New England area, are expected to travel to Canada, not only because of the breathtaking scenery, but because of the abundance and availability of campsites.

The camping industry is

not beginning to feel the affects of the shrinking dollar, and therefore a resurgence toward tents among young couples and small children is surfacing.

There is something about a tent that delights pre-teens and gives them a feeling of adventure. And besides, the cost is low.

Beginning campers are encouraged to start out with tents to determine whether they want to invest in permanent fixtures such as fold-down campers, trailers, and mini-motorhomes.

A family of four can buy a tent, sleeping bags, lantern, Coleman two-burner stove,



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winners of Special Service Awards from the Agawam Athletic Association are from left: Edward Connor, Jeanett Ouellette, State Rep. Edward Connelly, and Rod Richardson.

Olesak - Boulet Take Pratt Tournet

Co-medalists Mike Olesak and Bill Boulet knocked out defending champions Ed Cain and Ray Stoll, third and second reanked, in the semi-finals of the Don Pratt Memorial Four-Ball Tournament last week at the Oak Ridge Golf Club of Agawam, leading them to their apparent win in the annual event.

Olesak and Boulet, students at Bryant College in Smithfield, R.I., earned the victory at the expense of Ron Mac and Jim Czelusniak, both juniors at Westfield High School.

Olesak's birdie-two on the 17th decided the event. He later knocked in a six-foot putt to shut the door on all other opposition.

In previous days semi-finals, Boulet birdied the 16th hole from ten feet out to end his team's match against Cain and Stoll. Cain had missed earlier from 12 feet.

Mac and Czelusniak, on the other hand, were four up at the turn and closed out their opponents with a par on the 14th. Mac is a three-time New England age group champ. He and Czelusniak are two of the top players on the Westfield High golf team.

It was Czelusniak, whose father Bud owns the Agawam Country Club, who came up with the big shot of the day in the semi's. He eagled the second hole hitting a seven iron 105 yards into the cup during the match.

Getting back to the finals, things weren't too comfortable for the winners until Boulet nailed a birdie on the 16th.

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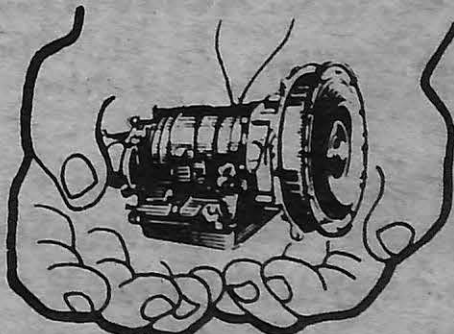
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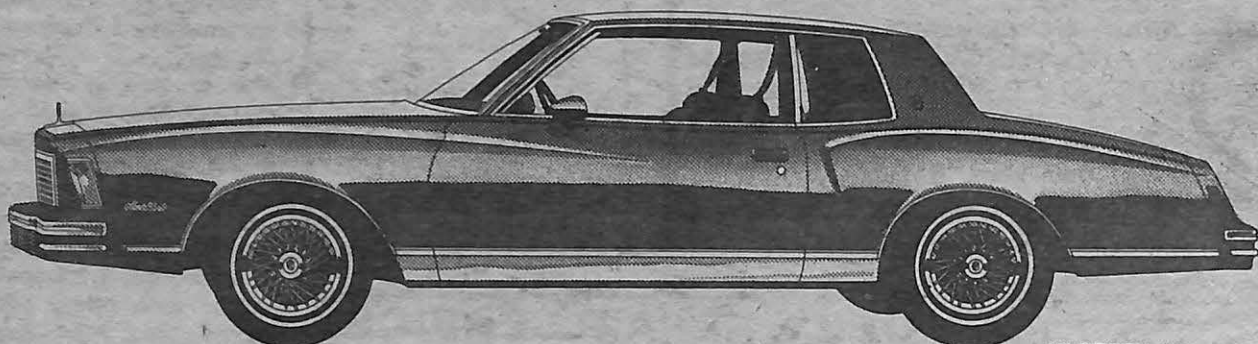
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Olesak-Boulet Win

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Olesak drilled his tee-shot on the 17th, with the ball landing six feet from the cup. He then proceeded to nonchalantly putt the ball dead-center into the cup.

Boulet, along with Czelusniak, calked up one more victory for the record, with 15 Eastern Mass. crowns to his title, and ten R.I. Golf Association triumphs.

Other division winners at Oak Ridge were: second - Tony Strycharz and Don Veto, 3 and 2 over Dick Monahan and Ed Barry third - Ed and Ron Najka, 19-hole survivors over Johnm Szyniewicz and Ed Albani; and fourth - John Truden and Frank Gentile Jr., 19-hole winners over Henry Mac and Stan Ziomek.



photo by Jack Devine

Pictured with coaches Nick Borello and Keith Jacobs are: from left to right: Jim Laudato, Phil Borello, Darrin McDon McDonald, Dave Laudato, David Drasin, and Mark Delancey. Back row same order Keith Jacobs, Tom Cascio, Jay Miller, and Dennis McDonald.

Todd Clark Up & Coming Track Star

by Patti-Jean Donski

When speaking of Agawam High's Track team, such names as Dan Baudette and Randy Young are mentioned frequently, but there is a sophomore who is quickly gaining everyone's acceptance.

Todd B. Clark of Meadow Street, Agawam is a seventeen year old that has been surprising everyone since his brilliant display at U Mass while participating in the mile relay, taking second place and a red ribbon.

In the beginning of the season he started out in the high jump, 440 relay and the 220. He was then shifted to

the triple jump, mile relay and 440 relay. He is now an undefeated runner of the 100 yard dash and along with the long jump he refuses to accept anything less than second place in the 220.

In the past he has attained such times as 23.3 in the 220, 10.5 in the 100, 56.7 in the mile and 11.8 in the 440 relay. His longest jump reached an undefinable 18' 6" giving

Agawam first place in their meet against South Hadley recently.

"Clarky" has gained acceptance in the Valley Wheel Championships and will be one of a very few sophomores attending Western Mass.

It is very plain to see that Todd Clark will be an outstanding choice for the States.

Adult Tennis Lessons Offered

Adult tennis classes will be scheduled throughout the Summer months. The schedule is as follows: Mondays and Wednesday at Sheas Courts beginning on June 5 - July 5 and Tuesdays and Thursdays at Phelps Courts beginning on June 6 through July 6th. Each class will be for a one hour period.

There will be ten lessons for \$10.00. Registration for these classes will be held at the Parks and Recreation office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. beginning May 22nd. Pre-registration is required and each class will have a limit of twelve people.

Tennis Reservations Advised in Agawam

The popularity of tennis here has caused the Parks and Recreation Department to crack down on court regulations.

Effective Memorial Day, any townspeople who want to reserve a court during the evening hours or anytime on weekends can pick up reservation slips at the department office during regular office hours.

A limit of one hour of play per reservation will be allowed at the numbered courts at Shea, Phelps and the high school areas.

All players using the reserved courts will be required to show identification that they are town residents. Any Agawam resident may play tennis at the courts, but will be asked to leave if others have reserved the court.

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Sportsmen's Corner

By Bill Chiba



For the past few years we have been planning to travel to Pulaski, N.Y. in April and then again in September to fish for the large Coho, and Chinook salmon that run up the rivers to spawn in the spring and fall. After plans were made, something always happened to throw a monkey wrench into the trip. Then the N.Y. Environmental Conservation Dept. prohibited the keeping of the fish caught if you planned on eating them. They are loaded with a high level of mirex which is a chemical pollutant that builds up in the fatty tissues of the body and is a serious threat to the health of the individual that

consumes it. The ban did dampen our enthusiasm for catching one of the monsters.

New York state has left the ban on keeping the fish you catch out of Lake Ontario and the Niagara and St. Lawrence Rivers. The ban was lifted for the following reasons: The Department has changed its fish stocking program so that the big fish species with high contamination levels are no longer there; the Dept. is not stocking them. When high levels of mirex

contamination were found in Lake Ontario fishes, the Department changed the thrust of its fish stocking program to avoid stocking fish species, such as coho salmon and chinook salmon, which tend to accumulate high levels of toxics in their flesh. Now, one and half years later, the big accumulators of the chemicals are no longer in the lake in large numbers; the big run of coho salmon ended in 1977 and the chinook fishery is in its final year. However, the brown trout fisher is tremendous and we may take it in this year. The Dept. recommends that you file your catch if you plan to consume it. The filets should be trimmed as follows: Remove 1/2 inch strip from the top of the filet and discard; remove a 1/2 inch strip (3/4 inch from each side of the lateral line) along the entire length of the filet and discard. The filets are ready for consumption.

For the past few weeks all District staff have been "out straight" transporting fish from the hatcheries to the many ponds and streams throughout the state. All waters have been stocked one or more times and are teeming with fish. Now is the time to hit your favorite body of water for some good fishing. The Division has done a commendable job of stocking trout this year. Quite a change from last year.

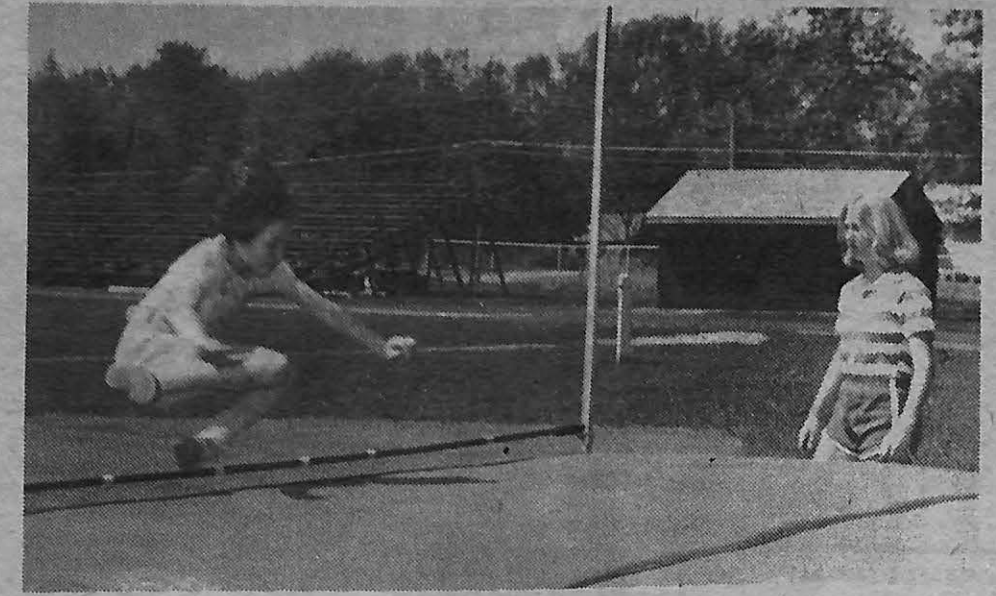
Last Friday we witnessed a team stocking fish at Otis. The men did a good job. They hit the middle of the reservoir many times during the three hours they were there. We offered to assist them in distributing the fish, but our offer was turned down. The head of the crew said that he would like our help but was prohibited from accepting it. It sure sounds strange to me. We hear the cry throughout the year that the crews could use assistance from the sportsmen, but that not many license holders offer. Well, I offered and was refused. So be it.

There is still a few vacancies open for boys 14-17 years old wishing to enroll this year in the Massachusetts Junior Conservation Camp. The Camp is designed to give basic training in natural resources, conservation and outdoor recreational skills to a select group of tomorrow's leaders. The Camp runs from June 25-July 7, fee 120 dollars.

Big Bats in Brownie Softball

Agawam Brownie Varsity softball team pounded South Hadley the same day the boys squeaked by the same team, with an incredible tally of 24-4.

Agawam junior shortstop Virginia Cassidy slammed



This fourth grader demonstrates her skill in the high jump at a recent field day for all fourth grade students in Agawam. photo by Jack Devine

Young Fares Well as VW Championship

Although the Agawam Brownie track team didn't compete as well in the Valley Wheel championship, one athlete on the Brownie team came through in the clutch - Randy Young.

While the Brownies did put up their usual team spirit, Young was out to prove himself a true trackster, as the Agawam junior set out to do a fine job at representing his school.

Young won the 220 and 440-yard dashes, and placed second in the high jump and triple jump. He was defeated in the triple jump by one of his prime arch-rivals - Longmeadow High's John Tomke. Tomke broke the old school record for the triple jump with his mark of 42' 6 1/4".

Young gave one of his better performances of the year at a recent meet against Minnechaug Regional, which the Brownies suffered their first loss of the season.

At the meet, Young was pitted neck and neck against Minnechaug's Rick Farrar, with Young coming out on top in his strong events.

Young won the 440 (52.1), the 880 (2:05.9), and the triple jump (41' 4 1/2"). He also took the high jump event, with a startling leap of 6' over the bar.

The final ended with Young and Farrar each winning four titles a piece, with Farrar excelling in the field events. The final overall team tally ended with an 86-59 tally to the credit of the Falcons.

In other action at the Valley Wheel Championship, Tomke once again showed his skill in the cinder

block events, as he and Young dominated the running events. Tomke won the 100-yard dash (10.2, tying the record), and anchored his Longmeadow High team to victory in the 440-yard relay. He also walked off with the Most Valuable Male Contestant trophy.

The next major meet for the Agawam High team will be the Western Mass. Track and Field Championship at the University of Massachusetts, with the finals being held on Monday, May 29.

Hit & Run Dept.

Agawam High edged South Hadley in a nail-biter, 2-1...Riley hurled a four-hitter, while S. Hadley ace threw a three-hitter...24 of the 26 major league clubs had scouts on hand to see the "Snake" in one of his last high school appearances...John Plante came through in the clutch in the ninth by slashing in triple, winning the game for the Brownies...Catcher Brian Rheault also contributed with a homer...complete details of the game in next week's issue.

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The blossoms of the rhododendrons and azaleas all over the area are a welcome sight....summer is not far off. These two flowering bushes are fairly easy to grow in this climate. Yet, people are always asking me why their's didn't live through the winter or why there are no blossoms or why the leaves are pointed toward the ground and

brown. On a rhododendron bush that is planted in full sun and - or where it can be wind-whipped, you probably will have pale green or yellow leaves, pointed downward and few, if any, flowers. That is, if the bush is alive at all. These bushes require acid humusy soil, cool moisture, and protection from the wind. They will tolerate some morning sun but prefer light shade or shifting sunlight under tall oaks or open pines. They are a very shallow rooted plant and need a heavy mulch like pine needles, oak leaves (acid), or bark chips. They can't tolerate severe drought or extreme heat. They also would enjoy a feeding with a high nitrogen fertilizer (30-15-15) or something similar. When we talk about these plants being acid lovers, this means they require fertilization with this type of food. Azaleas are listed by botanists as rhododendrons and exhibit only minor differences, if any, from each other. Therefore, the culture should be the same.

If you need to prune these bushes is there, don't despair, it's easy....REALLY. As the bushes go out of flower and new growth begins beneath the faded flower head, pinch or cut away the spent flower head. This will make way for the new growth to begin and flourish. When the new growth has made two or three sets of leaves, pinch out the tip. This will produce branching for bushier growth. On older bushes, cut out a few of the oldest branches from the center of the bush. These can be cut off at ground level. The side branches can be cut back one third. With proper pruning, the right food and protection from hot sun and strong winds, your bushes can be the pride of your garden.

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Land is approximately two (2) acres.

BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD.

Natalie C. George, Chairperson.

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The Agawam Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on proposed AMENDMENTS TO ITS RULES AND REGULATIONS AS IT AFFECTS SUBDIVISIONS CONTROL on Thursday, June 1, 1978, at 8:00 P.M. at the Agawam Town Hall, Hearing Room, Main Street, Agawam. While most of the changes are modifications or additions to clarify the present wording, your attention is directed to the substantive changes in the manner of securing the work with the Town and the provision of bikeways.

The full text, being too long to print in full, is available for your reference at the Agawam Town Hall Clerk's office and Planning Board Office.

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